



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Mr. Steven C. Russo

New York, NY 10025

RE: MUR 5546

Dear Mr. Russo:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on September 28, 2004 concerning Progress for America Voter Fund, Brian McCabe, Mary Anne Carter, Ralph R. Brown, Progress for America, Inc., The Leadership Forum, Susan B. Hirschman, L. William Paxton, Barbara Bonfiglio, President George W. Bush, Vice President Richard B. Cheney, Bush-Cheney 2004, David Herndon, as treasurer, the Republican National Committee, and Mike Retzer, as treasurer. Based on that complaint, on June 21, 2005, the Commission found that there was reason to believe Progress for America Voter Fund violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and instituted an investigation of this matter. Furthermore, on that same date, the Commission found that there was no reason to believe that The Leadership Forum, Susan B. Hirschmann, as President, L. William Paxon, as Vice President, and Barbara Bonfiglio, in her official capacity as treasurer, violated any provision of the Act. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action as to Progress for America Voter Fund, the Republican National Committee, Bob Kjellander, as treasurer, Bush-Cheney '04, Salvatore Purpura, as treasurer, and closed the file in this matter on February 7, 2007.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "April J. Sands".

April J. Sands
Attorney

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